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Document Type	Keyword	Acronym	Title	Version	Catalogue Number	Status	Year
Classification	Ancestry	ASCCEG	Australian Standard Classification of Cultural and Ethnic Groups	N/A	1249.0	Preferred	2019
Classification	Country	SACC	Standard Australian Classification of Countries	N/A	1269.0	Preferred	2016
Classification	Geography	ASGS	Australian Statistical Geography Standard: Main Structure	N/A	1270.0.55.001	Preferred	2016
Classification	Language	ASCL	Australian Standard Classification of Languages	N/A	1267.0	Preferred	2016
Classification	Religion	ASCRG	Australian Standard Classification of Religious Groups	N/A	1266.0	Preferred	2016
Classification	Geography	ASGS	Australian Statistical Geography Standard: Non ABS Structures	N/A	1270.0.55.003	Preferred	2019
Classification	Culture & Leisure	ACLC	Australian Culture and Leisure Classifications	3.0	4902.0	Preferred	2014
Classification	Occupation	ANZSCO	Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations	1.3	1220.0	Preferred	2013
Classification	National Accounts	IOPC	Australian National Accounts: Input-Output tables	N/A	5215.0.55.001	Preferred	2016-17
Classification	Products	AHECC	Australian Harmonised Export Commodity Classification	N/A	1233.0	Preferred	2017
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Classification	Buildings	FCB	Australian Functional Classification of Buildings	N/A	1268.0.55.001	Preferred	2011
Classification	Drugs	ASCDC	Australian Standard Classification of Drugs of Concern	N/A	1248.0	Preferred	2011
Classification	Consumer Price Index	CPICC	Consumer Price Index Commodity Classification	N/A	6401.0.55.004	Preferred	2011
Classification	Geography	ASGS	Australian Statistical Geography Standard: Indigenous Structure	N/A	1270.0.55.002	Preferred	2016
Classification	Geography	ASGS	Australian Statistical Geography Standard: Significant Urban Areas	N/A	1270.0.55.004	Preferred	2016
Classification	Geography	ASGS	Australian Statistical Geography Standard: Remoteness Structure	N/A	1270.0.55.005	Preferred	2016
Classification	Geography	ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification	N/A	1216.0	Superseded	2011
Classification	Offences	ANZSOC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Offence Classification	N/A	1234.0	Preferred	2011
Classification	Household Expenditure	HEC	Household Expenditure Survey and Survey of Income and Housing, User Guide	N/A	6503.0	Preferred	2015-2016
Classification	Occupation	ANZSCO	Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations	1.1	1220.0	Superseded	2009
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Information Paper	Occupation	ANZSCO	Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations	N/A	1221.0	N/A	2009
Classification	Economic Sector	SESCA	Standard Economic Sector Classifications of Australia	N/A	1218.0	Preferred	2008
Correspondence	Industry	ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification Correspondence Tables	N/A	1292.0.55.005	N/A	2008
Classification	Research	ANZSRC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Research Classification	N/A	1297.0	Preferred	2008
Classification	Industry	ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification	2.0	1292.0	Preferred	2006
Class, Codes and Titles	Industry	ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification Codes and Titles	N/A	1292.0.55.002	Preferred	2006
Classification	Industry	ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification	1.0	1292.0	Superseded	2006
Class Change Tables	Industry	ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification Class Change Tables	N/A	1292.0.55.003	N/A	2006
Classification	Occupation	ANZSCO	Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations	1.0	1220.0	Superseded	2006
Classification	Education	ASCED	Australian Standard Classification of Education	N/A	1272.0	Preferred	2001
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Classification	Products	ANZSPC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Product Classification	N/A	1254.0.55.001	Deceased	2001
Information Paper	Education	ASCED	Australian Standard Classification of Education	N/A	1271.0	N/A	2000
Classification	Commodity	ANZSCC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Commodity Classification	N/A	1254.0	Deceased	1997
Classification	Health	N/A	Australian Health Classifications	N/A	1219.0	Preferred	1996
Classification	Transport	ATFCC/ APC	Australian Transport Freight Commodity Classification & Australian Pack Classification	N/A	1210.0	Preferred	1994
Classification	Industry	ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification	N/A	1292.0	Superseded	1993
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What is a Classification?

A classification groups data into meaningful categories. A well constructed classification has categories that are mutually exclusive and exhaustive. Each category of a classification also has a description and a unique code to enable users to identify the category.

Classifications are structured to be hierarchical or flat. Hierarchical classifications range from the broadest, most general categories to the most detailed, specific categories. Flat classifications do not have a hierarchy. Classifications promote data comparability across surveys and they are used in;

- data collection
- data processing
- data presentation
- data analysis

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Reviews of standards and classifications are conducted on a regular basis to maintain the relevance of statistics. While we aim to complete reviews within the timeframes specified, the schedule is subject to revision.

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Year	Keyword	Title	Document Type	Review Details
Jul-19-Jun-20	Research	Australian and New Zealand Standard Research Classification	Classification	See Australian Research Council web site for details
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International Classifications

A range of international classifications are used by the ABS in a variety of ways. Listed below are the international classifications used.

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Acronym	Title	Organisation
COFOG	Classification of the Functions of Government	United Nations Statistics Division
COICOP	Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose	United Nations Statistics Division
COPNI	Classification of the Purposes of Non-Profit Institutions Serving Households	United Nations Statistics Division
COPP	Classification of the Outlays of Producers According to Purpose	United Nations Statistics Division
CPC	Central Product Classification	United Nations Statistics Division
ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification	United Nations Statistics Division
NAICS	North American Industry Classification System	United States Census Bureau
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification	United Nations Statistics Division
ISCO	International Standard Classification of Occupations	International Labour Organisation
CEPA	Classification of Environment Protection Activities	Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development
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Acronym	Title	Organisation
ISCED	International Standard Classification of Education	UNESCO Institute of Statistics
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